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1. University students in Nanking are having great difficulty making ordinary scholastic progress because of the pressure of activities outside the regular university program. They are not undertaking or are dropping such subjects as mathematics, engineering, and natural sciences, as they cannot even give the minimum time to study.
2. Members of university faculties and graduate students are constantly being offered positions by a recruiting committee from Manchuria now in Nanking. Offers of this committee range from 1,500 Northeast parity units for a full professor to 250 Northeast parity units for a graduate "assistant" who has taught electrical engineering for three years.
3. Only four out of sixty students at Nanking University who expect to graduate this year have signed up to go to Manchuria. Resistance to pressure by the authorities is said to be as much from fear of Communism as of the discomforts of life there. All indications are that the Communists are trying hard to transfer the most vital portion of higher education facilities to the Northeast.
4. Under the pressure of economic hardship thefts in the Nanking area have become almost uncontrollable. In the villages of the area all inhabitants, including old people, men and women, and children, take turns guarding the family possessions during the night. Hat snatching in daylight is very common in the crowded southern section of Nanking.

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